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SUBJECT: REPLY TO PRESIDENT FRANGIE'S CONGRATULATORY

MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT

1. TEXT OF PRESIDENT FRANGIE'S CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE IS
AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE - ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR INVESTITURE AS PRESIDENT OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA I WISH TO EXTEND TO YOU IN MY
NAME AND ON BEHALF OF THE LEBANESE PEOPLE OUR SINCERE CON-
GRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR YOUR SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS.
I HOPE THAT UNDER YOUR ADMINISTRATION THE LONG STANDING
FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND THE COMMUNITY OF
IDEALS AND INTERESTS EXISTING BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES WILL BE
MAINTAINED AND STRENGTHENED. YOUR HIGH PERSONAL QUALITY OF
STATESMANSHIP AND LONG POLITICAL EXPERIENCE WILL NO DOUBT
ENABLE YOU TO LEAD YOUR GREAT NATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
TRADITIONAL IDEAL OF JUSTICE AND RESPECT FOR FREEDOM AND
INTERNATIONAL PEACE WHICH HAVE ALWAYS CHARACTERIZED THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE. SINCERELY, SLEIMAN FRANGIE, PRESIDENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF LEBANON - UNQUOTE.

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2. PLEASE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD

TO PRESIDENT FRANGIE:

QUOTE - DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: YOUR THOUGHTFUL AND HEARTENING
MESSAGE ON MY ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF THE

UNITED STATES IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED. YOU MAY BE ASSURED
THAT ALL THE RESOURCES OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT WILL CON-
TINUE TO BE DIRECTED TOWARD OUR COMMON GOAL OF A TRUE AND
LASTING PEACE FOR ALL MANKIND. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD -
UNQUOTE.

3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT OF MESSAGE
BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF GOL WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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